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For: WATER-COOLED VERTICAL ENGINE, OUTBOARD MOTOR EQUIPPED
WITH WATER-COOLED VERTICAL ENGINE, AND OUTBOARD MOTOR

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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Sir:

This paper is in reply to the outstanding Office Action dated March 1, 2005, the period to respond being extended one (1) month from June 1, 2005 to July 1, 2005 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

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